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•AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (1 page)

•RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION DATED FEBRUARY 24, 2006 (15 pages)

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In re Application of: Robert G. Arsenault et al. : Date: April 21, 2006  
 Serial No. 09/534,708 : Group Art Unit: 2611  
 Filed: March 24, 2000 : Examiner: TRAN, Hai V.  
 For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONDITIONALLY PROCESSING, STORING, AND  
 DISPLAYING DIGITAL CHANNEL CONTENT IN A TELEVISION RECEPTION SYSTEM

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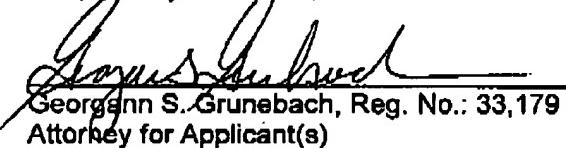
Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated February 24, 2006. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- No additional fee for claims is required.
- The claims have been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	minus	40	=	0	x	\$ 50.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	minus	8	=	0	x	\$ 200.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					0	+	\$ 360.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:							
							\$ 00.00

Charge \$ 00.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

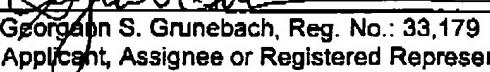


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In response to the Office action dated February 24, 2006, which was made final, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

**The Status of the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.**